

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously Presented) A display device comprising:

a pair of substrates;

a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal; and

a pair of orientation films provided adjacent to and between said pair of substrates respectively and having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,

wherein said orientation films have a surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more,

wherein spacing between said substrates is less than 3.5 μ m,

wherein the liquid crystal layer is in contact with the orientation films having the surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more, and

wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films.

7. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 6 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

8. (Original) A device according to claim 6 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

9. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 6 further comprising:

a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and

a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

10. (Original) A device according to claim 6 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

11. (Original) A device according to claim 6 wherein said orientation directions are rubbing directions.

12. (Previously Presented) A display device comprising:

a pair of substrates;

a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal, said liquid crystal comprising molecules aligned substantially in one direction throughout a thickness of said liquid crystal layer; and

a pair of orientation films provided adjacent to and between said pair of substrates respectively and having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,

wherein said orientation films have a surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more,

wherein spacing between said substrates is less than 3.5 μ m,

wherein the liquid crystal layer is in contact with the orientation films having the surface tension of 40 dyne/cm or more, and

wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films.

13. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 12 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

14. (Original) A device according to claim 12 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

15. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 12 further comprising:
a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and
a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

16. (Original) A device according to claim 12 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

17. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a pair of substrates;
a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal; and
orientation films having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,
wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films,
wherein the liquid crystal layer is in contact with the orientation films, and
wherein spacing between said substrates is less than 3.5 μ m.

18. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

19. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

20. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 further comprising:
a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and
a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

21. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

22. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein said orientation directions are rubbing directions.

23. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a pair of substrates;
a liquid crystal layer provided between said pair of substrates and comprising a nematic liquid crystal; and
orientation films having antiparallel orientation directions to each other,
wherein each of the pair of substrates is provided with only one of the orientation films, and
wherein the liquid crystal layer is in contact with the orientation films.

24. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein each of said orientation films comprises polyimide.

25. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein said display device is a reflection-type display device.

26. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 further comprising:
a first electrode provided on one of said substrates; and
a second electrode provided on the other of said substrates.

27. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein said nematic liquid crystal has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

28. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein said orientation directions are rubbing directions.

29. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 17 wherein almost all liquid crystal molecules of the liquid crystal layer are substantially aligned in one direction.

30. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 23 wherein almost all liquid crystal molecules of the liquid crystal layer are substantially aligned in one direction.